

10/564915
IAP20 RECEIVED 17 JAN 2006

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Atty. Docket

SPRUIT et al.

NL 030943

Serial No. .

Group Art Unit

Filed: CONCURRENTLY

Ex.

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETERMINING THE OPTIMAL WRITE POWER, AND
OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM FOR USE BY SUCH METHOD AND APPARATUS

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AUTHORIZATION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.136(a)(3)
AND TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Sir:

The Commissioner is hereby requested and authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply in this application requiring a petition for extension of time for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time.

Please charge any additional fees which may now or in the future be required in this application, including extension of time fees, but excluding the issue fee unless explicitly requested to do so, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,

By Frank E. Belk (reg. 50,145) for
Michael E. Belk, Reg. 33,357
Attorney
(914) 333-9643